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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 09/925,536	<b>Applicant(s)</b> KUSHWAHA ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b> Kamini S Shah	<b>Art Unit</b> 2142	

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#### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 10 August 2001.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

#### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-38 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6, 8-14, 16, 17, 19-23, 25, 26, 28-32, 34, 35, 37 and 38 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 7, 18, 27 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

#### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

#### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

#### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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## DETAILED ACTION

### *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102*

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

2. Claims 1-6, 8-14, 16-17, 19-23, 25-26, 28-32, 34-35, and 37-38 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Lo Vasco et al.

Regarding to Lo Vasco et al teaches communication network, which includes remote unit, wireless network, message center, the method teaches techniques for registering the warranty of a wireless remote unit in communication network. The method includes transmitting registration information from wireless device to the server such as registering a warranty for wireless remote unit 20 using SMS messages, see col. 3, lines 46-47; verifying the registration information at the server such as central processing unit 24 transmits a registration message from wireless transmitter/receiver in order to register with wireless network and steps 206 central processing unit determines whether the user of remote unit 20 has responded positively, see col. 3, lines 54-59 and col. 4, lines 8-13. Furthermore, Lo Vasco teaches remote unit 20 which establishes a connection between remote unit and mailbox 42 located in message center 40 via wireless network based on the wireless origination message; placing a command from

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the mailbox to the wireless device, such as step 222, wireless transmitter/receiver transmits the SMS message to mailbox; delivering the command from the mailbox to the wireless device and executing the command at the wireless device such as warranty storage center server after warranty information is stored in mailbox, periodically access mailbox to download the recent warranty information to warranty database, see col. 4, lines 45-54.

Regarding to claim 2, such as establishing a connection between the wireless devices and the server, transmitting a request to contents of mailbox from the wireless device to the serve, and transmitting the contents of the mailbox from the server to the wireless device, Lo Vasco et al teaches in steps 200 initial activation of wireless remote unit, step 202 for registration with wireless network, and steps 212-216 for retrieving warranty information, constructing SMS message and addressing SMS message to mailbox as in figure 2A.

Regarding claim 3, for establishing the connection periodically, Lo Vasco et al discloses warranty information storing in mailbox and warranty storage center server periodically accessing mailbox 42 to download the recent warranty information to warranty database, see col. 4, lines 51-54.

Regarding claim 5, La Vasco teaches as in step 220, remote unit 20 for establishing a connection between remote unit 20 and mailbox 42 located in message center 40 via wireless network 30 and step 222, wireless transmitter/receiver transmits the SMS message to mailbox, and step 224, message center server 46 retrieves the warranty information from the SMS message, see col. 4, lines 33-37.

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Regarding claim 6, for establishing the connection periodically, Lo Vasco et al discloses warranty information storing in mailbox and warranty storage center server periodically accessing mailbox 42 to download the recent warranty information to warranty database, see col. 4, lines 51-54.

Regarding claim 8, La Vasco teaches the command for enabling/disabling access of the wireless device to the server such as step 206, for central processing unit 24 determines whether the user or remote unit 20 has responded positively, if not, than central processing unit 24 in step 210 reprompts a user input on the user's next activation of remote unit 20, see col. 4, lines 8-15.

Regarding claims 9 and 10, delivering the command from the mailbox to the wireless device and executing the command at the wireless device to the server such as warranty storage center server after warranty information is stored in mailbox, periodically access mailbox to download the recent warranty information to warranty database, see col. 4, lines 45-54.

Regarding claims 12-14, 16-17, 19-23, 25-26, 28-32, 34-35, and 37-38 12-38, claims the similar subject matter for claiming steps for receiving information from the wireless device rather than transmitting information from wireless device to the server as in 1-6 and 8-11. Therefore, the claims are rejected for the similar reasoning as cited for claims 1-6, 8-11.

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***Allowable Subject Matter***

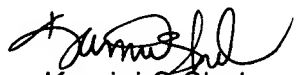
3. Claims 7, 18 and 27 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

La Vasco does not teach the connection that is established is based on a threshold condition.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kamini S Shah whose telephone number is 571-272-2279. The examiner can normally be reached on IFP.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jack B Harvey can be reached on 571-272-3896. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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